CONFERENCE

Apostle Alonzo A. Hinckley was the visiting General Authority, and addressed the saints in three of the sessions. Sunday morning he gave a very spiritual discourse relating personal experiences in his life. He lauded the Primary for their fine work, and spoke of the Influence of Priesthood in our lives. Sunday evening he related experiences in the mission fields, and explained that the true "Glory of God is Intelligence."

President Johnson in speaking at the late Stake Conference said, "for a real testimony of the authenticity of Joseph Smith's teachings, read the life of Peter Burnett." Here was a man who remarked "that it was not humanly possible for an unlearned farmer boy, such as Joseph was, to speak with such clearness and forcefulness about the gospel, without being divinely inspired." Burnett had many difficulties as a young man, had little clothing, no luxuries, and married when he was 21, a girl of 17. Yet latter in life fortune smiled upon him and he prospered. He raised a fine family that were close to him, and he always had a profound respect for Joseph Smith.

Johnson expressed his opinion that Mormon boys should marry Mormon girls. Everything is much more successful when there is spiritual harmony in the home, also we have our Temple work which further cements the Matrimonial bonds.

"We are the salt of the earth," says Elder Summerhays, "keep our lives pure and holy. In this day and age of so many temptations is seems a tranendous task, but God has wonderful power. As human beings on our own resources we could never accomplish that task but with the help of God we can do it."

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"Only fifty per cent of our people come to Sunday School, it is our duty, and our work, to bring back those who do not attend. This we can do if we realize our dependance upon the power of God in this work."

On the way North, Elder Barnes made this comparison while coming through a forest fire, "only the most sturdy trees withstood the roaring flames. So it is with our lives. Only the most sturdy can withstand the buffetings of Satan. The big men in our Church are as the big trees in the forest. We should look to them for guidance."

UNIVERSITY

Mormon doctrines will be taught as a regular course in the University of Southern California, beginning this term. A Methodist university, attended by 10,000 students, it is one of the largest in America. The classes will be taught by a Latterday Saint professor appointed by Church officials, and regular university academic credit will be granted for work done in the course.

DIRECTOR

J. Spencer Cornwall has been chosen by the first presidency and presiding bishopric to succeed the late Anthony C. Lund as director of the famous L.D.S. Tabernacle Choir. Mr. Cornwall started his musical career in Utah schools 24 years ago, and is now supervisor of music in the Salt Lake City schools, he is also musical director of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, and directed the last civic opera.

RELIGION

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

James 1:27.

"And that thou mayest more fully keep thyself unspotted from the world, thou shalt go to the house of prayer and offer up thy sacraments upon my holy day;

For verily this is a day appointed unto you to rest from your labors, and to pay thy devotions unto the Most High."

Doc. & Cov. 59: 9-10.

APOSTLES

Apostle Rudger Clawson and wife, completed a 5-weeks' tour of the Eastern States Mission, August 20. Mr. Clawson was the principal speaker at the stake conference in Washington, D. C., July 28. The couple report that church affairs are in excellent condition and business improved. They also attended the dedication of the Angel Moroni monument on the Hill Cumorah at Palmyra, N. Y.

Palmyra, N. Y.

Apostle George F. Richards and Mrs.
Richards attended the Los Angeles stake
conference August 24-25. Continuing their
automobile tour, they visited the San Diego
Exposition before returning to Salt Lake.

Missionaries

At the Quarterly Conference, August 18,
Edward Kingsford and Henry Neerings of
Vallejo, were sustained and set apart for
service as State Missionaries.

The following were released from service in the Stake Mission with a vote of thanks, Claire B. Michaelson, Louise Olson, Albert W. Guyman, Stanley Dahlin, Ennor W Johnson, Stanley Carr, and Morrell Day.

SCHOLARSHIP

Herbert Woolley, 18, of Oakland has just been awarded a scholarship to Stanford University. This scholarship is the result of his fine work in Oakland Technical High School where he was recently graduated with highest honors. He had merited A's during the entire year. Congratulations. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Woolley of the Stake Genealogical Board.

M. I. A. MISSION HEADS

Supervising an MIA organization which extends from Arizona to Idaho, and California to Nevada, with about 50 branches, E. K. Hanks and Gwendolyn Hanks are kept very busy.

It is their duty to see that all the opportunities afforded by Mutual are made available to those outside of the organized stakes in this Mission. In a recent visit to this district in which sister Hanks spoke at the Oakland Stake Conference, she reported that 32 MIA organizations were in the mission and a District Convention was soon to be held here.

Alonzo A. Hinckley in the September "ERA" lauds them for their part in putting the California Mission over the top in her quoto of "Improvement Era" subscriptions. "A great organization under a fine leader-ship!"

COAST PIONEERS

The Mormons were in California a year before the Pioneers entered Salt Lake Valley. They, built the first flour mill first saw mill, discovered gold, established the first newspaper and furnished the first millionaire. This man was Sam Brannan, who owned a fourth of Sacramento and a fifth of San Francisco with interests over the State and in Hawaii.

July 31, 1846 the good ship "Brooklyn" after a perilous voyage around the Horn, landed with 235 "Mormons" at San Francisco, then called Yerba Buena. Sam Brannan was in charge of the company. In 1847 he had already, at the age of 27, established stores almost everywhere, one being at Sutter's Fort. When San Francisco refused to get excited and go into a gold rush, Brannan in May, 1848 ran hatless through the Plaza with a flask of gold dust, shouting, "Gold! Gold! Gold! from the American River."

Many of the ships company returned to Salt Lake Valley and elected to stay with Brigham Young in Utah even when Brannan pointed to the wealth available in California. Yet before gold was found, and before this was American soil, Mormon families were here.

By January 30, 1847 there had arrived at Fort Loma, now San Diego, the "Mormon" Battalion, 500 able bodied men, given by Brigham Young to march from the "Mormon" camp on the Missouri to Santa Fe and thence to San Diego in the Mexican War. They raised on Mexican Territory the first American flag at San Diego, after making the longest infantry trek in history.

making the longest infantry trek in history. Then the Argonauts poured into California. Brannan organized the Vigilantes, to maintain law and order. Five times he rebuilt the city after it had been razed by fire. He gave great public gifts, made huge loans, some to Mexico, and scattered great fortunes. He went broke trying to build California's Saratoga in Napa Valley which he named Calistoga, 50 years too soon. Years later Mexico gave him \$49,000, meager interest on a loan. He paid it for debts and died penniless in San Diego, May 14, 1889. In his later life he had become embittered against the saints and finally apostatized.

Bancroft the historian says: "So long as society holds its course in San Francisco, Brannan's name should be held in honor and grateful remembrance."

M. I. A.

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INDIANS

Believed to be the first full-blood Indians called as regular traveling elders of the Church, Moroni Timbimboo and Henry Woonsook, of the Washakie ward bishopric, Malad stake, Idaho, were recently set apart to preach the gospel among the Indians of the Fort Peck reservation in North and South Dakota.

These two elders sent to the Central States Mission for two and one-half years carry again to their own people the glorious gospel, that was lost to them for so long.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1

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THE VALUE OF DEPENDABILITY "What we want to make us true men, over and above that which we bring into the world with us, is some sort of God-given instinct, motive, and new principle of life in us, which shall make us not only see the right and the true and the noble, but love it, and give our wills and hearts to it."

-Kingsley. "The man who is working and strives perpetually to fulfill his obligations thoroughly, is continually building up in himself one of the greatest principles of morality and religion."-Channing.

Of all the desirable and ennobling traits of character an individual may develop none is more desirable, more ennobling, more helpful or more valuable than dependability.

The truly dependable person can be trusted in church and civic responsibility, in matters of finance, in morals, in word and in action. Dependability is necessary to the successful conduct of human relationships. Without it chaos would result.

The dependable person is loyal. He is loyal to his country, to his church and its leaders, to his family and to his friends. He may be relied upon at all times and under all conditions. He is true to trust.

Truly, dependability is a priceless gem of character and virtue.

The success of this Church rests upon the dependability of its members. Only as the General Authorities, Presidents of Stakes and Missions, Bishops and other leaders can depend upon those who are called to positions of responsibility and authority can the Church itself progress.

The teachings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ set the highest of standards of dependability. Strict honesty, trustworthiness, punctuality in meeting appointments and obligations, and in filling assignments of duty, discharge of all responsibilities promptly and loyally are all included in the doctrines of the Church. Dependability, therefore, becomes the very basis of our hope for the future; and no less than absolute dependability is expected of every true Latter Day Saint. The Gospel teaches it. Our code of morals and ethics includes

If we are truly dependable and manifest this valuable and inspiring quality in our dealings with our fellow men we shall have the blessings of the Lord in rich abundance, according to the promises made to the

righteous. Dependability always has been and always will be one of the truest measures of real character. Its value never lessens. A reputation for dependability is a priceless

treasure and one every person may gain.

"His word is as good as his bond."

"If he promised to be here he will come."

"If he is given the position he will magnify it."

"If he said he would do it, he will."

"If he owes the bill he will pay it."

"If this matter is entrusted to him it will

be in safe hands." When these statements are made of any man he may be well proud of such a reputation.

In the early experience of the Mormon

DOCTRINE AND COVENANTS BORN

For one hundred years the Church has had in its possession something which a conference once voted, "they prized to be worth to the Church the riches of the whole earth, speaking temporaly." Yet this priceless gem can be enjoyed by each member of the Church alike, it is the Doctrine and Covenants.

This book accepted by the Mormon peo-ple as the work of the Lord, and as "being the foundation of the Church in these last days," was officially "born" one hundred years ago (August 17, 1835).

The prophet Joseph soon after he began his active ministry, was the recipient of numerous revelations given from the Lord to guide him. Some concerned the Prophet himself, others were directed to individuals with whom he associated, and still others dealt with gospel doctrine of a general na-ture. These revelations came under various conditions, and we have the testimony of men who were with him at such times. Parly P. Pratt, describes how a revelation was received in May, 1831: "Each sentence was uttered slowly and very distinctly, and with a pause between each, sufficiently long for it to be recorded by an ordinary writer in long hand. This was the manner which all his written revelations were dictated and written. There was never any hesitation, reviewing, or reading back, in order to keep the run of the subject; neither did any of these communications undergo revisions, interlinings or corrections. As he dictated them so they stood, so far as I have witnessed; and I was present to witness the dictation of several communications of several pages each."

These revelations were highly prized by leaders and members who desired to have them in printed form available to all. November 1, 1831 at Hiram, Ohio, during a special conference of Elders of the Church, the Lord made known His desire to have the manuscript published and gave a reve-lation to the Prophet called the preface unto the Book of Commandments. Although many revelations had been received prior to this one, it has always been section one of the Doctrine and Covenants. At this Conference it was decided that three thousand copies were to be printed and Joseph Smith made the selection of revelations for publication. The next day the Lord revealed what He called the appendix, it appears as

ASSIGNMENTS

High Council and Missionary appointments for Sunday, September 15, 1935, are as follows: ALAMEDA—Grant Ellis, J. G. Wimmer BERKELEY—D. J. Allphin, R. T. Paine. DIMOND—C. M. Dewsnup, Fern Barney. ELMHURST—C. C. Carr, Elmo Carr. HAYWARD—D. H. Rock, O. L. Stone. MARTINEZ—John Soelberg, R. T. Cox. OAKLAND—J. J. Kest, Oscar Fontano. PITTSBURG—J. B. Ball, B. Z. Cox. RICHMOND—W. T. Hicken, P. W. Jackson. VALLEJO—A. D. Erickson, Walter Brey.

Pioneers, Eastern business men frequently paid the high tribute to them that in all their dealings with the Mormons they had never lost a cent. No greater tribute has

ever been paid to our people.

That statement should be possible today.

It would be if the members of the Church would live according to the teachings of the Gospel and of our Church leaders.

Every Latter-day Saint should cultivate the habit of dependability in business, in the Church, in the home, in public life, in social affairs, in all dealings with others. To be a true Latter-day Saint is to be in every way dependable. The early history of the Church is filled with illustrations of dependability that will assist ward teachers in delivering the message for October most effectively.

Ward Teachers Message for October, 1935

section 133, of the Doctrine and Covenants and is the last revelation of the Prophet to appear in the book. Three sections follow the first "A declaration of belief" adopted by the Church August 17, 1835, then a section on the martydom of Joseph Smith, and finally section 136 is the "Word and Will of the Lord" given to Brigham Young at Winter Quarters, January 14, 1847.
The first name given the publication was

the Book of Commandments, because the Lord revealed his preface unto the Book of Commandments. Circumstances beyond the control of the leaders however prevented the printing in full of this book. The printing was well underway in Missouri when the mob in Jackson County destroyed the press, scattered the type, and tore up most of the printed sheets. Only a few copies including most of section 64 were saved by the brethern. There was intended to accompany this book a testimony of a group of elders known as the testimony of the witnesses to the Book of the Lord's Com-

mandments, this appears in latter editions. Notwithstanding this calamity, the Church was undaunted in the mission laid upon it to publish the latter-day revelation of God to mankind. On September 24, 1834, at a meeting of the High Council in Kirtland Ohio, a committee, with Joseph Smith, the Prophet and President of the Church, at its head, was constituted to publish the revelations and other matter relating to the doctrines of the Church. This committee reported the completion of its labors to a general assembly of the Church at Kirtland, Ohio, August 17, 1835. At this conference Oliver Cowdery arose and introduced the "Book of Doctrine and Covenants of the Church" to the Latter-day Saints on behalf of the committee. The title had been accepted by the committee after due consideration and discussion. The former title was too limited in its scope, as the book contained more than commandments but also items of doctrine.

At the general conference, the compilors of these revelations, added their testimony to that of the Fairsthood. The Priesthood were separated into their various offices, each quorum or distinctive body being in its place, seated in the order of solemn assembly and the acceptance of the Doctrine and Covenants was expressed by the separate vote of each quorum, and then by the united vote of the assembly. Then the testimony of the Twelves Apostles was formulated, signed and presented to the assembly by W. W. Phelps.

So witnessed by its compilers, given testimony by the elders of the Church and accepted by the Priesthood in various assemblies, the Doctrine and Covenants came into official eixstence. It was first printed in Kirtland in 1835 and contained 254 pages, including some lectures on faith.

It has been printed in English, Danish Dutch, German, Welsh, Hawaiian, Maori, Swedish, and French, and is accepted by the Latter-day Saints throughout the world as the true word of God to His people upon

UTAH PIONEER CAMPS

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BIRTHS

SEPTEMBER, 1935

SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Marceyes of Richmond, July 27. Mrs. Thelma Marceyes is the daughter of Mrs. Ellice Picklesimer. DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Rex McKean, of Dimond, August 27. Named Thurza Ann.
SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Campbell, of Dimond. Named Stephen Kent.
DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill, of Berkeley, August 24.

DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Johnson of Berkeley, June 7. (Correction from the August issue of the Messenger)

MARRIAGES

GOTT-CHRISTENSEN — Harriet Gott and Arnold P. Christensen of Vallejo were married in Reno, Nevada, recently by Bishop M. L. Guymeon.

HARTMAN-HIATT—Francis Hartman to Charles Hiatt, August 25 in the Dimond Chapel.

TURNER-ADDIS—Ruby Turner and F. D. Addis of Dimond, married August 30, in the Logan Temple.

PAINE-MARTIN—Barbara Paine and Wendell C. Martin of Elmhurst, married August 23, bishop McFarlane

BOWEN-BROWN—Lucile Bowen and Claude Newman Brown of Elmhurst were married September 3, in the Saint George Temple, St. George, Utah.

DEATHS

WIMMER—Infant son of Wallace Wimmer of Elmhurst, died July 27.

TIDWELL—Sarah Jean of Richmond, who died at Martinez, July 22. Born in Smithfield. Utah, January 15, 1894; she leaves her husband, three children and one sister. Interment was at Smithfield.

RAWSON—Russell B. of Berkeley, who died August 14.

Age 31. NELSON—Nels F. of Berkeley, who died August 30.

BAPTISMS

AUGUST 31

JOHN HILTON of Dimond, by Eugene Hilton.

ROBERT ORTH of Dimond, by Frank H. Nelson.

ROBERT MILES of Dimond, by Frank H. Nelson.

EDWIN WOOLEY of Berkeley, by Eugene Hilton.

LOIS RUEGG of Berkeley, by Eugene Hilton.

DAWNA ERICKSON of Berkeley, by Eugene Hilton.

CLAIRE STOUT of Berkeley, by Eugene Hilton.

EMMA LEVEDAHL of Berkeley, by Eugene Hilton.

MARY ANN MURDOCK of Vallejo, by Le Roy Murdock. AUGUST 31

HARRY BRAMWELL of Vallejo, by Le Roy Murdock. ELMER EUGENE LATHROP of Vallejo, by Le Roy WALLACE GUIWITS of Elmhurst, by Frank H. Nel-

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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

M. I. A.

The Oakland Stake Institute-Convention will be held Thursday and Friday, September 26, 27 at the Oakland Ward Chapel.

The program follows: THURSDAY-26 12 o'clock (noon)

YWMIA Stake Board meets in a business luncheon at the Lake Merritt Hotel. -5:30 p. m.

Joint and Separate Stake Board Meet-

8 p. m. General Assembly, the public is invited. 8—10 p. m.

Departmental sessions. All departments to hold separate sessions, with the General Board members instructing.

FRIDAY—27 Afternoon.

YWMIA Stake Board honors the visiting General Board members; Ruth May Fox, Geo. G. Morris, Evangeline Beasley, W. O. Robinson and Marie Thomas, with a formal tea. San Francisco YWMIA Board are special guests. Gleaner girls will assist in serving. 7:30—9 p. m.

Recreation and Cultural Courses given. 9-10:15 p. m.

Dance rehearsal of 1935-36 dances. An entertainment given by the MIA Stake Board in honor of the MIA Ward Board, will be held at the John Hinckle Park in Berkeley, September 20, at 8:30 p. m. This informal social is to make all the Ward leaders better acquainted with one

Community Activity Committees are one of the most important groups in a Ward. They have charge of the recreation for the must clear through them for every organization in the Ward. Activity leaders are chairmen for Community Activity Committees and responsible to the president who is responsible to the Bishop.

SCOUTS

Our stake was represented in the East this summer by five scouts, Ray Knight of Berkeley, the Skipper boy of Elmhurst, and Kimball Lofgran, S. Grover Rich, and scout-

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master Glen Gee, all of Oakland. They returned Sept. 1, after a 19-day trip covering 8000 miles, visiting 26 states, Washington D. C., and Canada.

PRIMARY

Because of extended vacations, our homecoming has been postponed to September 21, at 2 p. m. An interesting afternoon has been planned with an excellent program. One of the chief attractions will be the display of handiwork completed this summer.

With the coming of the autumn season, all wards should be organized and intent upon putting over the same fine course of study used last year. It is not too early to begin planning the Ward Primary Conferences fulfilling the outline of the Sept. Children's Friend. This year we are stressing the importance of graduation for Seagulls and Guides. Let these exercises be the gateway through which the young peo-ple enter the Priesthood, the MIA, and the Boy Scout organizations.

GENEALOGICAL

In commemoration of the visit of the Angel Moroni to the Prophet Joseph Smith, September 21, 1823, the First Presidency has designated Sunday, September 29, 1935 as Genealogical Sunday. Although it is not the nearest Sunday to the 21st, it is a fifth Sunday which in many stakes is already given over to the Genealogical society.

Genealogical representatives should take immediate steps to present a suitable program in the ward sacrament meeting on that day.

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· WARD NEWS · ·

ALAMEDA

Wendell M. Jensen was ordained and set apart by Apostle Alonzo A. Hinkley as 2nd Counsellor in the Bishopric, following the recent release of Wm. M. Clayson.

The Ward enjoyed a weenie and watermelon bust at Washington Park, Alameda August 16. About 115 members were there. The Priesthood Activity Committee was in charge with Garnie Johnson at the head.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Crosbie are visiting in Utah.

We wish to welcome the following families into the Ward: Lew Kellar and family of Ogden, Utah. Merlyn Brimball and family from Berkeley.

Bishop Leo H. Crandall has had as visitors recently his mother Mrs. Rose E. Crandall, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Russell, all of Ogden.

Mrs. Katherine Marsh flew to Salt Lake to visit with her sister, formerly of San Francisco, now from Porto Rico.

OAKLAND

The Sunday School Officers and Teachers are meeting at the home of Walter Aylett, September 12, for a business meeting and party.

Miss Mary Alice Woolley, of Honolulu, neice of Mary Jordan is here attending

Appointments have just been made completing the leadership of the Oakland Ward YWMIA, with Helen Willey as President, Athelia Pitchforth and Cecelia Jensen as 1 and 2 Counsellors respectively. Doris Stewart, as secretary.

The YMMIA head for this season is Charles Putnam, with La Marr Kemp as pointed Secretary.

Ward members are urged to conscientiously support these officers and make the 1935-36 season, bigger than ever.

Ralph Jordan and family journeyed to Logan, Utah, August 20 to attend the funeral of her father, Orson Smith, who was buried in Logan.

The Elders are planning a semi-banquet party for August 20, to be held in the Ward

hall. Jim Kay is in charge. Buelah Watts has been visiting her grandmother in Modesto the last month.

The opening Mutual party will be held September 10, 8 p. m. Welcome back to Mutual is the thought to be expressed with a fine program, dance and a good time for

Miss Evaletta Grant has been visiting at

the Jordan home.

The Choir gave a very fine party August 21, honoring Ruth Bergman, gifted soloist and loyal supporter of the organization. The high lights of the occassion were the interpetive Hula dances, demonstrated by Miss Mary Alice Woolley, and native songs with a ukelele accompaniment by Rita Kaleikau. Besides a fine program arranged by the committee, with Ida Nielsen in charge, Rita Kaleikau presented each one present with a lei. Miss Bergman sailed August 24, for

Honolulu, to be gone three years. D. H. Rock and family are moving to Salt Lake, temporarily we hope.

Sister Nelle MacDonald entertained the Choir at her home, August 28. About 40 guests enjoyed a virtual 'watermelon bust' and fine evening social.

Genuine members of the church now, are Alfreta Yvonne Chapman, infant daughter of our chorister Vern Chapman, and Abra-ham Hamase Kaleikau Jr., son of Rita Kaleikau. They were baptized August 3.

ELMHURST

Miss Barbara Paine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. T. Paine was married to Wendell C. Martin on August 23. The ceremony was performed by Bishop McFarlane at the home of the brides parents.

The MIA department is planning a very fine opening party for September 10. This is the first event of the year and a genuine entertainment is assured. Come and see why you should not miss any of the mutual sessions in the future.

The Priesthood with the MIA are giving a picnic at Durant Park in Elmhurst, Saturday afternoon and evening of September 21. Sports, games and dancing are to be climaxed with a watermelon bust.

Helen Day has returned from a visit with

friends and relatives in Utah. Mrs. Hannah Ecklund Smith formerly of Elmhurst was here to attend the wedding of her neice, Miss Barbara Paine, and to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. T. Paine.

Lydia Hatfield and Ivan Pearson have returned from a visit with friends and re-

lations in Utah. The painting of our Chapel is badly needed. Pledge cards have been sent to all families, soliciting your support of this work. Do not fail to return these cards, signed and designating your contribution.

BERKELEY

President George Albert Smith was a recent visitor at the I. P. Ball home.

A brilliant cast directed by Kenneth Thomas presented a three act comedy in the new Berkeley Ward Hall, Friday, August 30. The play "Let's Be Somebody" depicted the "Who's Who" of the Ward, and proved a very fine performance.

The Relief Society of the Ward has been reorganized with Viola Carr as President, Rachel Ball, 1s. Counsellor, and Anna Rey Heiselt, 2nd Counsellor, Drusilla Stout, is

Funeral services for Russell B. Rawson were held in the Berkeley Ward Chapel, August 17. Brother Rawson leaves his wife Olga, and two children, Russell and Betty Jean. He was a very active member and will be greatly missed in the Ward.

Rosemary Parsons, daughter of Frank and Sue Parsons received her A. B. degree from the University of California recently.

The new President of the YWMIA in Berkeley will be Louise Knight.

Brother Nels F. Nelson, for many years caretaker of Vasa Temple, the meeting place of Berkeley saints before their new chapel, died August 30, at the ripe old age of 68. He was a convert to the church, a widower, and though he left no relatives we know him as a faithful man to the last.

The YMMIA has been reorganized with Jesse Sarr as president, his Counsellors are Jim Sabine and Jess Smith.

VALLEJO

Patriarch William E. Potts and his wife were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cheshire, August 11. The patriarch gave several blessings to members of the branch and spoke that evening in Sacrament meeting.

Mrs. Muriel A. Smith entertained the Relief Society in their regular monthly social, August 13, at her home in Benicia.

Bishop John Merrill of Arizona, left for his home after spending the past winter and summer with his son, Parley H. Merrill.

Burton Barrows, son of Benjamin H. Barrows has gone to Utah to complete his

schooling.
Eldon Gardner past Northern District President of the California Mission and well known here was the speaker at Sacrament Meeting August 25.

Vacationists in Calistoga included Mrs Muriel A. Smith, her three children and their grandparents from Los Angeles.

Edward Kingsford and Henry Neering have been chosen as Stake Missionaries.

The Monthly Report and Business Meeting of the Branch was held at the home of Ruby Larson, August 28. Eighteen officers and teachers were present. Refreshments were served by Ida Fullen.

Harold Christensen left recently to accept a position with the Sperry Mill at Spokane, Washington.

DIMOND

Apostle A. A. Hinkley was a guest at the home of Bishop Lauper following his attendance at Stake Conference, August

August 25, Bishop and Mrs. David A. Smith with their two daughters visited

Margaret E. Gordon, Genealogical Head of the California Mission recently spent two weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. J. Lauper. During her stay, Mrs. Martha Fitzpatrick entertained at a luncheon and theater party in her honor.

The Genealogical Association presented an evening of Indian Legends in pagent form, August 29. Mrs. C. Cherrington was

in charge. Following the release of Mrs. Elsie Brown as Superintendent of Primary due to ill health, Mrs. Rose Clark has been sustained as Superintendent with Mazis Humphreys and Winifred Phelps as Coun-

Mr. and Mrs. Perry J. Earl have returned from a two weeks vacation in Yellowstone Park.

RICHMOND

The opening party of the Ward Officers and Teachers will be held at the home of Jesse Bradison. The bishopric are in charge.

Our MIA organization is now complete with the IMMIA neads, von Holldaway, President, Herbert Lathan and Kenneth Dengler as First and Second Counsellors. The YWMIA will have Mildred Anderson, President, and as Counsellors, Mildred Haddock and Naomi Layton. Wanda Roark as Secretary.

Mrs. Herbert Layton and son are visiting in Salt Lake City.

Wallace C. Anderson and family accompanied by Rachel Roark are vacationing in Logan, Utah.

Naomi Layton and son Herbert are spending two months with relatives in Salt Lake City.

The regular work and business day of the Relief Society ladies was held at the charming new home of Nettie Dewsnup. Sister Isaac was the guest of honor.

William R. Fuller is living temporarily at McCloud, California, where he is employed in the lumber mills.

Mrs. Jessie Pierson was honored with a stork shower held at the home of her mother Sister Jessie Bradeson, Thursday August 1.

Miss Ruth Zuppan is spending the summer months with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dietliker. We are very happy to note that Brother Dietliker has improved from his recent illness and is now again attending our meetings.

We sincerely mourn the loss of a beloved sister, Sarah Jean Tidwell, who passed away at Martinez, July 22. Although she had been ill for some time her death was unexpected and a great shock to her family and friends.

Sister Tidwell was born in Smithfield, Utah, January 5, 1894. She leaves her husband Leslie, son Leslie Allan, and two daughters, Margaret and Lileth, all of Richmond, also a sister, Mrs. Isabelle Crockett of Smithfield.

Services were held in Richmond, interment was at Smithfield, Utah, July 27.